MINUTES OF THE BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP COUNCIL DECEMBER 5, 2016 COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The Township Council of the Township of Bridgewater, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, convened in a regular session meeting on Monday, December 5, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers in the Municipal Complex, Bridgewater, New Jersey 08807.

Council President Pedroso read the following announcement:

Notice of Meeting

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting was provided on January 4, 2016 by sending written and electronic notice to the Courier News and the Star Ledger, posting on the Township website and on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and filing with the Township Clerk.

On call of the roll, the following Council members were present:

Matthew C. Moench

Howard Norgalis (absent) Christine Henderson Rose Vice President Allen Kurdyla Council President Filipe Pedroso

Also Present: James T. Naples, Township Administrator

William B. Savo, Township Attorney Linda J. Doyle, Township Clerk

Council President Pedroso led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes for Approval

On motion of Councilman Moench, second by Councilman Kurdyla, the November 10, 2016 Regular Session minutes were moved for approval and passed on the following roll call vote:

Councilman Moench Aye
Councilman Norgalis Absent
Councilwoman Rose Aye
Council Vice-President Kurdyla Aye
Council President Pedroso Aye

Council Reports

Councilwoman Rose:

• The Planning Board is looking at the Master Plan examination report and one of the recommendations that Council will soon be receiving is an amendment that will change the property of the Red Wood Inn from R-50 Zone to R-40. They also approved outside work for West Tap & Grille,

- previously known as The Office
- Attended the Festival of Lights in Somerville and was pleased to see Finderne, Country Hills and North Branch Fire Departments representing the Township.

Councilman Kurdyla:

 Was humbled to receive a certificate of appreciation from Martinsville VFW for his support of the VFW.

Councilman Moench:

He and his wife welcomed a new baby girl who is almost three-weeks old.
 The family is doing well.

Council President Pedroso:

Attended Bridgewater's budget meeting with Councilman Norgalis.

Mayor's Report

Mr. Naples reported the Mayor received an invitation from Mayor Onderko from Manville for a ceremony they will be having on December 7th commemorating the 75th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor. They will be celebrating the memory of one of their own - George Banovich who earned 3-purple hearts and 2-brown stars during his 4-years in the oversees campaign. It will be held at the Manville VFW Post 22 and is open to the public. The Mayor has extended this invitation to Council as well.

Public Comment

On motion of Councilwoman Rose, seconded by Councilman Moench, the meeting was opened to the public.

Members of the public wishing to address the Council on any matter will be allowed two minutes to speak, unless there are unusual circumstances.

No one wished to be heard.

On motion of Councilman Moench, seconded by Councilwoman Rose, the public comment portion was closed.

Public Hearing & Final Action Ordinances

ORDINANCE OF THE BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF LAND IDENTIFIED AS LOT 15 IN BLOCK 477 ALSO KNOWN AS 901 ROUTE 202/206 NORTH FOR THE PURCHASE PRICE OF \$525,000 TO BE PAID FROM THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND

On motion of Councilman Moench, seconded by Councilwoman Rose, the meeting was opened to the public.

No one wished to be heard.

On motion of Councilman Moench, seconded by Councilwoman Rose, the public comment portion was closed.

On motion of Councilman Moench, seconded by Councilwoman Rose, the foregoing Ordinance was proposed. The vote was as follows:

Councilman Moench
Councilman Norgalis
Councilwoman Rose
Council Vice-President Kurdyla
Council President Pedroso
Aye
Aye

THE ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #16-12-05-290 is appended to the official minutes

Introduction of Ordinances

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 206-29.A, ENTITLED "SCHEDULE I: NO PARKING" BE AMENDED SO AS TO PROHIBIT PARKING FROM A POINT ON CHIMNEY ROCK ROAD, 1200 FEET NORTHERLY FROM THE INTERSECTION OF THE CENTER LINE OF CHIMNEY ROCK ROAD WITH THE CENTER LINE OF THOMPSON AVENUE, NORTHERLY TO WASHINGTON VALLEY ROAD

Township Administrator Naples stated this Ordinance will prohibit parking on the South side of Chimney Rock Road noting that in the past, truck traffic has caused significant sightline problems for strip mall shoppers.

On motion of Councilman Moench, seconded by Councilwoman Rose, the foregoing Ordinance was proposed. The vote was as follows:

Councilman Moench Aye
Councilman Norgalis Absent
Councilwoman Rose Aye
Council Vice-President Kurdyla Aye
Council President Pedroso Aye

THE ORDINANCE WAS INTRODUCED.

A copy of resolution <u>#16-12-05-291</u> is appended to the official minutes

Linda J. Doyle, Township Clerk read the following report:

BE IT RESOLVED that the said pending ordinance be passed on first reading and advertised as required by statute fixing the 19th day of December 2016, at 7:30 p.m. prevailing time on said day as the time and the Bridgewater Township Municipal Court Chambers at 100 Commons Way in said Township as the place for hearing and final action; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk shall forthwith post on the bulletin board in the Township Municipal Building at 100 Commons Way, a true copy of said ordinance and make copies available to members of the general public and spread the same upon the minutes of the meeting.

Resolutions

Council President Pedroso asked if Council can vote on the following resolutions in consent. Council was in consensus.

Council President Pedroso read each resolution by title.

AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016 APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$516,400.00 IN THE CURRENT FUND

PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2016 BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948) REGIONAL CENTER PARTNERSHIP GRANT \$17,500.00

AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF THE CASH PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,680.00, ACCEPTANCE OF THE SITE IMPROVEMENTS FOR TURTLE & HUGHES, BLOCK 233, LOTS 10, 11& 12 - 188 FOOTHILL ROAD, BRIDGEWATER, NJ 08807

AUTHORIZING A GRANT/LOAN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,064.32 TO ANN C. THODEN, RESIDING AT 608 DUNN CIRCLE, LOT 608, BLOCK 199, BRIDGEWATER, NEW JERSEY 08807 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP CONDOMINIUM FEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS, CHAPTER 126-SECTION 321.4Q

2017 STAVOLA QUARRY OPERATING LICENSE -BLOCK 711, LOTS 3, 4 AND 6.01 CHIMNEY ROCK ROAD, BRIDGEWATER, NEW JERSEY, SOMERSET COUNTY

WAIVER OF FIRE PERMIT FEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50.00 FOR TEMPLE SHOLOM IN CONNECTION WITH GIFT WRAPPING ON VARIOUS DATES FROM DECEMBER 10 TO DECEMBER 24, 2016 AT THE BRIDGEWATER COMMONS MALL

WAIVER OF FIRE PERMIT FEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50 FOR BRIDGEWATER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH TO USE THE FIRE PIT FOR OUTDOOR WORSHIP, PRAYER AND FELLOWSHIP AT VARIOUS CHURCH SPONSORED EVENTS DURING THE MONTH OD DECEMBER, 2016.

On motion of Councilman Moench, seconded by Councilwoman Rose, the foregoing resolutions were proposed. The vote was as follows:

Councilman Moench
Councilman Norgalis

Aye Absent Council Vice-President Kurdyla Aye
Council President Pedroso Aye

THE RESOLUTIONS WERE ADOPTED.

Copies of resolutions #16-12-05-292 through #16-12-05-298 are appended to the official minutes.

Closed Session

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Bridgewater Township Council that this body will now hold a closed meeting to discuss contract negotiations.

When and if the matters discussed become public record, this will be made known to the public at that time.

The public is excluded from said meeting and further notice thereof is dispensed with all in accordance with Sections 8 and 4a of the Open Public Meetings Act.

On the motion of Councilwoman Rose, seconded by Councilman Moench, Council convened in closed session at approximately 7:45 p.m.

A copy of resolution #16-12-06-299 is appended to the official minutes.

On the motion of Councilwoman Rose, seconded by Councilman Kurdyla, the meeting reconvened to open session at approximately 8:15 p.m and adjourned immediately thereafter.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda J. Doyle, RMC Municipal Clerk

Filipe Pedroso Council President